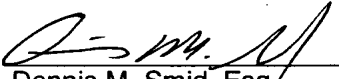
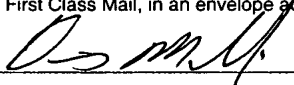
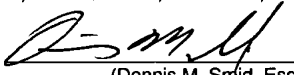




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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 4, 2007, finally rejecting claims 2, 4, and 5, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows: